

**THE MINUTES OF THE HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE  
ON  
JUDICIARY**

**Wednesday, February 28, 2007**

**9:00 a.m.**

**Room 521 House Office Building**

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The House Standing Committee on Judiciary was called to order by **Representative Paul Condino**, Chair.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Representatives Condino, Coulouris, Corriveau, Meadows, Scott, Virgil Smith, Warren, Schuitmaker, David Law, Elsenheimer, Rick Jones and Rocca.

**MEMBERS ABSENT/EXCUSED:** Representatives Bieda, Meisner and Stakoe.

**Chairman Condino** laid **HB 4301** before the committee:

HB 4301	Condino	Insurance; no-fault; serious impairment of body function; define, and provide for general amendments.
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**TESTIMONY**

**Ron Marienfeld**, an attorney, representing Dan Przygocki and Laurie Stewart, testified in support of the bill.

**Daniel Przygocki**, representing himself, testified and submitted written testimony in support of the bill.

**Ann Weber**, representing the Property Casualty Insurers Association (PCI), testified and submitted written testimony in opposition to the bill.

**David Field**, representing the Allstate Insurance Company, testified in opposition to the bill.

**Pete Kuhnmuench**, representing the Insurance Institute of Michigan, testified and submitted written testimony in opposition to the bill.

**Roger Paul Riley**, representing Broe Rehabilitation Services, Inc., testified in support of the bill.

**Terry Cochran**, an attorney, representing Mr. and Mrs. Kreiner, testified in support of the bill.

**Richard Kreiner**, representing himself, testified and submitted testimony in support of the bill.

**Dolly Kreiner**, representing herself, testified and submitted written testimony in support of the bill.

**Representative Schuitmaker** moved to excuse absent members from the committee. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

*The following people submitted a testimony card and did not wish to speak:*

**Brian Sydnor**, representing the Office of Financial and Insurance Services (OFIS), supports the bill.

**Scott Votava**, representing the Michigan Brain Injury Providers Council and Eisenhower Center, supports the bill.

**Michael Harris**, representing the Michigan Paralyzed Veterans of America, supports the bill.

**Tom Masseau**, representing the Michigan Protection & Advocacy Service, Inc., supports the bill.

**Margaret Kroese**, representing the Hope Network and the Michigan Brain Injury Providers Council, supports the bill.

**Jan Stokosa**, representing the Michigan Orthotic & Prosthetic Association, supports the bill.

**Nell Kuhnmuench** of Governmental Consultant Services, Inc. (GCSI), representing Nationwide, Allied, and Titan Insurance Companies, opposes the bill.

*Chairman Condino read the following testimony cards that were submitted at the February 21, 2007, meeting:*

**Scott Votuba**, representing the Michigan Brain Injury Provider's Council and the Eisenhower Center, supports the bill.

**Ronald Graber**, representing the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP), supports the bill.

**George Sinas**, representing the Coalition to Protect Auto-No-Fault (CPAN), supports the bill.

**Michael Dabbs**, CPAN spokesperson, and representing the Brain Injury Association of Michigan (BIAMI), supports the bill.

**Doug Borruso**, representing the Michigan Osteopathic Association and CPAN, supports the bill.

**Laura Appel**, representing the Michigan Health & Hospital Association, supports the bill.

**Colin Ford**, representing the Michigan State Medical Society (MSMS), supports the bill.

**Nadine Nosal**, representing the International Union (UAW), supports the bill.

**Joseph C. Richert**, representing the Special Tree Rehabilitation System, supports the bill.

**Michael Malley**, representing the Special Tree Rehabilitation System, supports the bill.

**Rabecca Plenchette**, representing the Special Tree Rehabilitation System, supports the bill.

**Linda Teeter**, representing the Michigan Citizen Action, supports the bill.

**Terry VanderVeen**, representing the Michigan College of Emergency Physicians, supports the bill.

**Mark Pischea**, representing CPAN, supports the bill.

**Jan Stokosa**, representing the Michigan Orthotics and Prosthetics Association, supports the bill.

**Josh Lord**, representing CPAN, supports the bill.

**Mike DeGrow**, representing the Michigan Academy of Physician Assistants, supports the bill.

**Bill Kandler**, representing the Michigan Orthopaedic Society, supports the bill.

**Ken Fletcher**, representing the Michigan State AFL-CIO, supports the bill.

**Carl Alden**, representing the Michigan Association of Chiropractors, supports the bill.

**Carol Hutchinson**, representing the Farmers Insurance Group, opposes the bill.

**Jim Miller**, representing the Michigan Insurance Coalition, opposes the bill.

**Frank Venuto**, representing the Progressive Insurance Company, opposes the bill.

**Charles G. Williams**, representing GlaxoSmithKline, opposes the bill.

**Wendy Block**, representing the Michigan Chamber of Commerce, opposes the bill.

**Representative Corriveau** moved to adopt the minutes of the **February 21, 2007**, meeting. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:39 a.m.

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**Representative Paul Condino, Chair**  
**House Standing Committee on Judiciary**  
Malika Abdur-Rashid  
Committee Clerk  
517-373-7256  
1 Hour 39 Minutes